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SUBJECT: NIMETZ VISIT TO CYPRUS

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1. LATE AFTERNOON AUGUST 24 SRSG CALINDO-POHL, ACCOMPANIED BY GORGE, CALLED ON ME. I GAVE THEM IN CONFIDENCE RUNDOWN ON PROPOSED NIMETZ VISIT AND TENTATIVELY SUGGESTED NIMETZ CALL ON GALINDO-POHL EITHER MORNING SEPTEMBER 4 OR AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 5. GALINDO-POHL INDICATED HE WOULD BE PLEASED MEET WITH NIMETZ WHENEVER MOST CONVENIENT AND WOULD HOLD TIMES OPEN UNTIL HE HEARD FURTHER.

2. LATER SAME DAY I CALLED ON "TFSC PRESIDENT" DENKTASH AND INFORMED HIM IN CONFIDENCE OF PROPOSED VISIT. I INDICATED THAT NIMETZ WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH HIM EITHER AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 5 OR DURING DAY SEPTEMBER 6, AND HAD EXPRESSED DESIRE VISIT VAROSHA. DENKTASH WAS GRATEFUL FOR ADVANCE INDICATION OF PROPOSED VISIT, ASSURED ME HE WOULD KEEP IT IN CONFIDENCE UNTIL PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT MADE, AND INDICATED HE WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPANY NIMETZ ON VISIT VAROSHA. HE PROPOSED GIVE LUNCHEON IN CONFIDENTIAL

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NIMETZ'S HONOR AT FAMAGUSTA SEPTEMBER 6. HE ALSO OFFERED GIVE SMALL RECEPTION FOR NIMETZ PREFERABLY SEPTEMBER 5 BUT ALTERNATIVELY SEPTEMBER 6. HE SEEMED ANXIOUS BE GIVEN EQUAL TIME TO THAT GIVEN GOC. I EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR HIS OFFER OF HOSPITALITY AND TOLD HIM I WOULD BE BACK IN TOUCH AFTER I HAD RECEIVED NIMETZ'S REACTION.

3. I TOLD GALINDO-POHL THAT SECRETARIAT WOULD BE BRIEFED BY USUN EITHER AUGUST 24 OR 25. HE ASSURED ME THAT, IN LIGHT OF THAT, THEY WOULD NOT REPORT WHAT I HAD TOLD THEM TO NEW YORK. IN DENKTASH'S CASE, I INFORMED HIM THAT TURKISH GOVERNMENT WAS BEING ADVISED OF PROPOSED VISIT LATER AUGUST 24. DENKTASH ASKED IF IT WAS INTENDED THAT NIMETZ ALSO VISIT ANKARA. I REPLIED THAT IN THE LIGHT OF SEC GEN ELEKDAG'S RECENT TWO-WEEK VISIT TO WASHINGTON, NO VISIT TO ANKARA WAS CONTEMPLATED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: INDICATION OF ANY PREFERENCES FOR TIMING FOR MEETINGS WITH GALINDO-POHL AND DENKTASH.
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